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In re Application of:

Balasulojini KARUNANANDAA *et al.*

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For: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with Sterol Synthesis and Metabolism

Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for filing a response be extended one (1) month from March 7, 2005 to April 7, 2005, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$120.00 for a one (1) month extension for a large entity. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Authorization to charge the \$120 extension of time fee is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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